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Naples, *October* 2. *N. S.*

CAptain *Pickering*, Commander of the *Charles* Privateer, having lately taken, near *Cyprus*, a French Ship of about 180 Tuns, laden at *St. John d'Acre* in *Syria*, and bound to *Marseilles*, put into *Messina*; and departing afterwards from thence, for *Leghorne*, met with a violent Storm off this place; in which having lost his Fore-Mast, and received other Damage, he was obliged to come in here with his Prize, which is esteemed to be worth 100000 Dollars. We have Advice, that another English Privateer is arrived at *Messina*, with 3 French Prizes.

Genoua, *Octob.* 21. The French are fitting out 7 or 8 Men of War at *Thoulon*, who, 'tis reported, are to cruise in the *Levant*: Some of their Ships have been lately at *Argiers*, and confirmed the Peace with that Government, which began to shew an Inclination to break with them. The Pope has written to the Great Duke of *Tuscany*, and other Princes of *Italy*, as also to this Republick, to hasten the Payment of their several Quota's of what is allowed the German Forces for Winter-Quarters, that their March out of the Milaneze may not be delayed: The Pope himself gives 40000 Crowns towards it; and this Republick is to pay the like Sum.

Leghorne, *Oct.* 22. Capt. *Fuller*, Commander of the *Panther* Privateer, who lately sailed from hence, met the 12th Instant, off *Monte Christo*, two French Ships, laden from *Alexandria*, called the *St. Domingo*, and *Santta Teresia*; and after some little Resistance, took them both, and carried them to *Porto Longone*: These Prizes are said to be worth 60000 Dollars. We have Advice from *Messina*, that 5 English Men of War passed the Fare the first Instant, in 26 days from *Cadiz*: and the same Letters confirm our former Advice, of the Victory obtained by the Venetians over the Turks at Sea, having taken 6 Sultanes, and burnt two, and blocked up the rest of their Fleet in *Rhodes*, where the Venetian Captain-General intended to Bombard them.

Milan, *Octob.* 24. The greatest part of the first 100000 Pistoles, allowed the German Forces for Winter-Quarters, is already paid, as the rest will be in few days; but they are not yet agreed about the Security that is to be given for the remaining 200000: In the mean time, one of the German Regiments, to wit, that commanded by Count *Taff*, began to march away the 22th from the Camp at *Vigevanano*; and the French have likewise sent off some of their Troops. The Marquis *de St. Thomas* is come hither from the Duke of *Savoy*, to finish the Business of the Money for the Winter-Quarters, and to hasten the March of the Germans so soon as that is done. The Letters from *Rome* give an Account of the Death of Cardinal *Goes*: And that the Pope has ordered 20000 Dollars more to be remitted, for the German Troops.

Venice, *Octob.* 26. There is yet no Account come directly from our Fleet, of their late Engagement with the Turks; though the Advice we had of it, first from *Napoli di Romania*, and afterwards from *Zeffalonia*, is since confirmed from *Corfou*, *Zant*, and several other places; who all say, the Turks were beaten, that they lost 7 or 8 Men of War, and that the Venetians pursued them till they got into Port: So that there remains no room to doubt the Truth of this News; though we cannot but wonder at this long Delay of Letters from the Captain-General, and are apt to think some Accident may have befallen them.

Vienna, *Octob.* 27. The Emperor has Ratified the Neutrality for *Italy*, and sent it by an Express to Count *Mansfelt*. 'Tis said, the German Troops will not leave *Italy*, till the French are marched out of *Montferrat* and *Piedmont*. The Forces in *Hungary* are gone, on both sides, to their Winter-Quarters: General *Caprara* is shortly expected here; Count *Guido* of *Staremberg* is to remain at *Essick*, Major-General *Nehem* at *Peter-Warddin*, and the Count *de Marsigli* at *Segedin*, on the River *Theysse*, to command the Imperial Troops that are quartered in those Parts during the Winter; and General *Rabutin* commands in *Transilvania*. The Elector of *Saxony* continues still at this Court.

Francfort, *Novemb.* 3. The Differences between the Palatin and Hessien Troops, about the Winter-Quarters, are accommodated; and the former have quitted to those of *Hesse* the Quarters they had taken possession of, and are marching into the *Bergstraet* and the *Odenwalt*, which were assigned them before.

Cologne, *Novemb.* 6. The Baron *de Heyden* is come hither to settle the Quarters for the *Brandenburgh* Troops that are coming from the *Meuse*, to Winter in this Diocess.

Hamburgh, *Novemb.* 6. The Sieur *Dankelman* is arrived here, to assist on the part of the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, at the Treaty between the King of *Denmark* and the Duke of *Holstein Gottorp*; which, 'tis hoped, will now in a short time be brought to a good Conclusion. The last Letters from *Poland* tell us, that the Queen was much dissatisfied with Prince *James*, her Son; believing he had underhand favor'd the late Resolution of the Dyet, which obliged her to leave *Warsaw*; and that several of the Senators had interposed, to make a Reconciliation between them; but had not yet been able to prevail so far with the Queen, as to admit the Prince to visit her. The two young Princes, *Alexander* and *Constantin*, were gone out of the Kingdom, to travel; and particularly, to visit their Sister, the Electoress of *Bavaria*, at *Brussels*. The Difference that had so long depended between Prince *Sapiha*, General of *Lithuania*, and the Bishop of *Vilna*, and gave so much Disturbance to the Publick, as well as to themselves, was at last composed by the Interposition of the Pope's Nuncio, upon these Conditions; That the Excommunication published against the said General should be taken off, and that the Bishop should send to make him a Compliment, and excuse what had passed in that Matter: That for the future, no such Excom-